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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application of :  
Kenji KATO et al. :  
Serial No. 09/582,903 : Group Art Unit: 2653  
Filed: July 6, 2000 : Examiner: Kim Kwok Chu  
For: NEAR-FIELD OPTICAL HEAD :  
AND METHOD FOR MANU-  
FACTURING SAME : Docket No. S004-4034 (PCT)

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RESPONSE

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In response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2004,  
applicants amend their application as follows:

ADDITIONAL FEES:

No additional fees are believed required in  
connection with this response; however, should it be  
determined that a fee is due, authorization is hereby given to  
charge any such fee to our Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

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